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CIVIC CENTER PARK OFFICIALLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION



From Left to Right: Keith Gardner, District 2 Council Member; Nancy Sharpe, Arapahoe County Commissioner; Chris Leding, Communication Director Great Outdoors Colorado; Stephanie Piko, Chair Centennial Open Space Advisory Board; Centennial Mayor Cathy Noon; Ron Weidmann, District 4 Council Member, Todd Miller, District 4 Council Member; Patrick Anderson, District 3 Council Member; Vorry Moon, District 1 Council Member; Randy Pote, President Centennial Rotary Club.

On Wednesday, March 23rd, the Centennial City Council with other dignitaries broke ground for Centennial's Civic Center Park. Phase 1 of the park is currently underway and includes construction of the parking lot, shelter, water play feature, playground, amphitheater and climbing wall.

The 11 acres for the park was acquired by the City in early 2008 and a master plan was completed in 2009. The park will provide a variety of recreation amenities including a playground, water play, shelters, restrooms, mountain view overlook, environmental and historical education, open space meadow, sledding hill, climbing walls, walking trails, formal amphitheater, parking for users and entry features to provide an identity for the park and community.

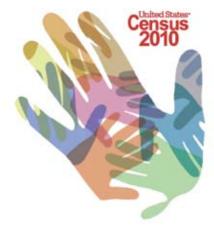
This initial phase is completely funded. The City will use Arapahoe County Open Space Share-Back Funds and Colorado Conservation Trust Funds (CTF) to construct the project. This funding will be supplemented with grants from Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) and Arapahoe County. The grants received exceed \$1 million. The cost of Phase 1 is \$5.3 million.

"We are very excited to see plans for the Civic Center Park now become a reality. I look forward to this park creating the sense of place for our City that brings the east and west sides of Centennial together, says Centennial Mayor Cathy Noon. This is a great addition to our community."

A campaign featuring Mayor Noon and Centennial families was used to raise awareness of the importance of the Census count. Centennial had the second highest rate of return for questionnaires in the entire country.

CENTENNIAL RECEIVES RESULTS OF FIRST EVER CENSUS

In 2010, residents of Centennial completed the first census since the City's incorporation in 2001. The official population count for Centennial is 100,377 based upon the 2010 US Census. Centennial is the tenth largest City in the State of Colorado.



"The stakes were very high for Centennial to complete the 2010 Census. I would like to thank all of the residents that took the time to fill out the questionnaire to help better establish and define our City," said Centennial Mayor Cathy Noon.

Having a population of more than 100,000 is important for receiving state and federal funds. Every person counted means more money for schools, roads and senior services.

Census figures also help determine the number of seats each state has in the U.S. House of Representatives. State legislative districts are redrawn after each census to ensure equal representation.

To view the information provided by the US Census Bureau visit: http://2010.census.gov/news/releases/operations/cb11-cn39.html

Coaltrain's Story



Late one night in January, Centennial Animal Services received a call from a family that had found a dog wandering in their neighborhood. The dog did not have a collar or tags.

The City of Centennial partners with The Humane Society of Boulder Valley for animal shelters so the dog we affectionately named Coaltrain, was brought there, to be reunited with his owner. After waiting five days, no owner came forward so it was time to take on the challenge of finding Coaltrain a new family.

Within 24 hours of Coaltrain being placed for adoption, a family was found. He was neutered, vaccinated and microchiped before joining his new family.

Because of the extensive efforts of the Animal Welfare Officers, responsible pet owners and an active licensing program, lost pet animals can more easily be reunited with their families. Please license your dog so that we can help your pet get home quickly. Centennial Animal Services can be reached at 303-325-8070.

2011 SUMMER EVENTS CALENDAR





May 14 Highline Canal Run

10k run starts at 8 a.m. 5k run starts at 9 a.m. deKoevend Park, 6301 S. University



May 14 Centennial Spring Fling

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. (Immediately following the High Line Canal Run) deKoevend Park, 6301 S. University



May 16 - 20 Public Works Week

Various locations

Get up close and personal with Centennial's public works crews and equipment. For information and location visit www.centennialcolorado.com or call 303-325-8000.



June 11 Battle of the Bands

2 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Centennial Promenade Shopping Center, north side of County Line Rd. across from Park Meadows Mall

The 3rd Annual Centennial Youth Commission Battle of the Bands will feature performances by the area's most talented youth musicians. Sponsored by the Centennial Youth Commission.



July 8

6:30 p.m. – 10 p.m. Trails Recreation Center 16799 E. Lake Ave.

Featured film:



July 15

6:30 p.m. – 10 p.m. deKoevend Park 6301 S. University

Featured film:

GHOSTBUSTERS



August 13

6 p.m. – 10 p.m. Centennial Medical Plaza, 14200 E. Arapahoe Rd.

Join us for our 6th Annual signature community event. Family fun includes free health screenings, interactive fitness demonstrations, entertainment and food. Stay for the family classic *E.T.* and end the night with a spectacular fireworks show.



Planning for the future...

NEWS FROM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The City continues the development of its first Transportation Master Plan. Two public meetings are scheduled to receive input from citizens about long term future transportation needs. At these meetings, the short term improvement projects that have been identified will be presented, and citizens will be asked to participate in a hands-on activity to help us understand your preferences for accommodating travel in the future.

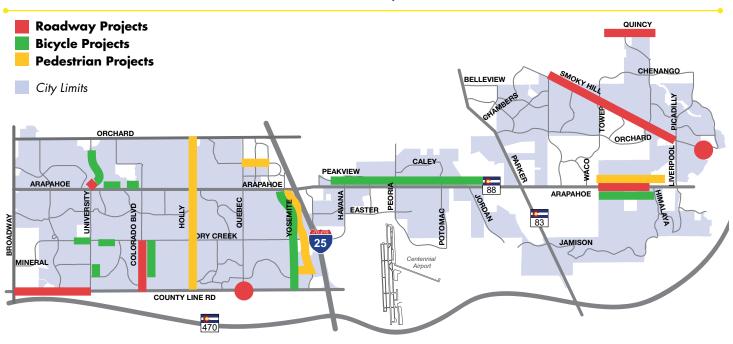
Public Meeting Dates and Locations

(please come at your convenience)

Tuesday, May 10th, 2011 between 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. Castlewood Public Library 6739 S. Uinta St.

Thursday, May 12th, 2011 between 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. Smoky Hill Public Library 5430 S. Biscay Cir. The City of Centennial has completed a Short Term Transportation Plan that identifies immediate roadway, bicycle, pedestrian, and transit needs. The Short Term Transportation Plan is available for viewing on the City's website.

For more information on the Centennial Transportation Master Plan please contact transplan@centennialcolorado.com, call 303-325-8085 or visit www. centennialcolorado.com.



OUTREACH UNDERWAY FOR ZONING MAPS

The Land Development Code (LDC) was adopted by City Council on April 19, 2010. Since then, the Community Development Department has been working toward implementing the new code, including the adoption of a new zoning map.

In order to explain how the new code and zoning map will be applied, the Community Development Department assigned a planner to each of the four districts in the City and is encouraging public participation.

Questions may be directed to the City Planner assigned to your Council District:

District 1: Jeff Brasel, phone: (303) 754-3356

Email: jbrasel@centennialcolorado.com

District 2: Derek Holcomb, phone: (303) 754-3315

Email: dholcomb@centennialcolorado.com

District 3: Mike Pesicka, phone: (303) 754-3378

Email: mpesicka@centennialcolorado.com

District 4: Andy Firestine, phone: (303) 754-3336

Email: afirestine@centennialcolorado.com

This summer, public hearings will be scheduled for the Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council. Once scheduled, these dates will be on the City website, www.centennialcolorado. com. For information or to view the LDC project, visit www.centennialcodeupdate.com. For a map of Council districts, visit the City's website at www.centennialcolorado.com



Keeping Your Neighborhood Safe

Please be aware of anything in your yard that may make it difficult for neighbors to walk on the sidewalk or see around a corner while driving.

The City of Centennial has established Sight Distance Triangle regulations to "protect lines of sight for motorists." A sight triangle is the area of visibility required on a corner to allow for the safe operation of vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists in the proximity of intersecting streets.

Typical sight distance obstructions include: trees; shrubbery, banners, signs, parked vehicles; or such permanent obstructions as monument signs, retaining walls, fences, etc. Street light poles, sign poles and similar obstructions may be acceptable within the sight distance triangle.

To report a sight obstruction call 303-325-8000 or visit **www.centennialcolorado.com**.

CODE COMPLIANCE WORKSHOP TO BE SCHEDULED

A workshop will be scheduled this spring for citizens and business owners to learn more about code compliance in the City of Centennial. Once scheduled, details of this workshop will be added to the City website. If you would like to be contacted with the workshop details, please email sellis@centennialcolorado.com and have your name placed on a list for notification.

The Code Compliance Division is available to attend neighborhood meetings upon request. Call 303-325-8000 to schedule.

Annual Street Resurfacing Underway

Each year, the City of Centennial resurfaces approximately 30-40 miles of its streets. The type of resurfacing varies throughout the City depending on the condition of each street. The most common methods of resurfacing used in Centennial are surface treatments, overlays, and reconstructions.

The City uses a program often known as "preventative maintenance" on certain streets which may appear in good condition, but upon close examination require a treatment to extend their service life. In Centennial, we seal cracks with a special asphalt mixture in hopes to prevent the pavement from degrading into potholes. Also, the City may use a variety of surface treatments which can include slurry seal, or a number of bituminous surface treatments, all of which help extend the life of the pavement.

Streets which have deteriorated beyond the point where surface treatment may benefit the pavement may require the use of a mill and overlay process to rehabilitate the street, which is typically completed in four phases:

- 1. Remove and replace damaged concrete curb gutter and pedestrian ramps in the neighborhood.
- 2. Mill (grind and remove) the top layer of asphalt.
- 3. Patch and replace failing asphalt areas and repair cracks.
- 4. Complete the asphalt overlay and replace any striping.

Streets in "very poor" condition may have the asphalt completely removed and replaced, which often requires stabilization of the soil beneath the pavement with a recycled lime material.

A detailed ranking form is compiled each year for each resurfacing program including nine criteria. Each street is evaluated for the most cost-effective and efficient use of City funds. Centennial is always researching new technologies, and occasionally combines numerous pavement maintenance strategies in a neighborhood to obtain the optimum pavement performance.

Residents in affected neighborhoods will receive notice of upcoming work approximately two days prior to the work, the City's contractor provides notices on door handles of homes in affected areas and visits impacted businesses. No Parking signs are typically placed on the street 24 hours before work begins.

More detailed information including maps of the 2011 program can be found on the City website at www.centennialcolorado.com.

City Launches Home Improvement Program With Local Businesses

The City of Centennial is partnering with local businesses and residents to encourage home improvement projects in the City through a Home Improvement Program (HIP).

The purpose of this program is to give homeowners the resources to complete home renovations in a safe, professional, timely manner.

The City is a resource for homeowners to get the project done right. The goals of the program are:

- To preserve the values of existing homes
- To educate and assist homeowners with the improvement process
- To promote licensed, quality contractors, and
- To support local businesses

For more information about the program visit **www. centennialcolorado.com** where you can find a list of licensed contractors, permit information and more.



Interested in Becoming a City Council Member?



On November 1, 2011, Centennial voters will elect one council member from each of the City's four Districts.

Preliminary
information packets are
available for citizens interested in running
for a city council seat.

Contact City Clerk Brenda Madison for more information: 303-754-3302, or bmadison@centennialcolorado.com.

CITY SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR SENIOR CITIZEN COMMISSION

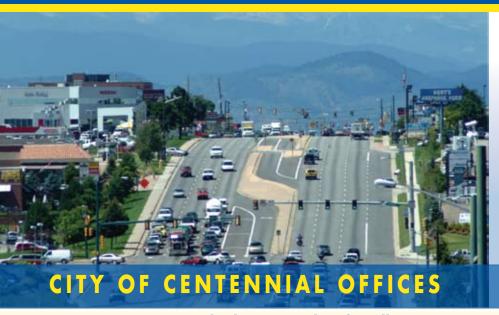
Since City Council established a Centennial Senior Citizen Commission late last year, seniors from throughout Centennial have been anticipating the announcement for nominations to the commission. **The wait is over!** The City is asking all those interested in voluntary membership in the Senior Commission to submit applications to the City Clerk no later than June 1 st.

The Commission will provide a forum for discussion of issues affecting Centennial's senior population and will encourage senior participation in the community. There are nine regular members who must be residents of Centennial and over the age of 60 years.

Appointment is for two-year terms. In addition, there will be three commissioners who will be ex-officio and non-voting members. Ex-officio members are not required to be Centennial residents and could be representatives of interested organizations or agencies that serve the Centennial senior community.

Applications for the Centennial Senior Commission are available online at www.centennialcolorado.com.





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Main Telephone Number for all City Information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

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Business Licenses

303-325-8000

Citizen Concerns

303-325-8000

Code Enforcement

Susie Ellis 303-325-8000

Community Planning & Development General Info.

303-325-8000

Inspections Hotline

303-708-1430

Municipal Court

303-754-3380 courtinfo@centennialcolorado.com

Public Works Service Requests

303-325-8000 or online at centennial colorado.com (Citizen Response button)

Sales Tax Collections

303-325-8000

Sheriff (Emergency ONLY)

Sheriff (Non-emergency) Report Crime or Graffiti

303-795-4711

ELECTED OFFICIALS

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Emergency Notification www.ArapahoeSheriff.org

City News - e-News Sign Up

www.centennialcolorado.com



Every
Wednesday
from 11 a.m.
to 1 p.m.,
Mayor Cathy
Noon is at
the Centennial
Civic Center

to speak with Centennial citizens about ideas, concerns, questions—just about anything that's on your mind. Stop by and say hello!



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DISTRICT MEETINGS SCHEDULE

District 2 Meeting

Thursday, May 26, 2011 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 25, 2011 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Both meetings will be at Koelbel Library, 5955 S. Holly St.

To find out which Council District you live in and to confirm these meeting dates visit our website at www.centennialcolorado.com.

NOMINATE YOUR FAVORITES!

The City of Centennial is seeking category nominees and companies deserving of recognition for the *Fourth Annual Best of Centennial Business Recognition & Awards Dinner*, honoring the companies and individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to their field and have shown continued commitment to Centennial through their daily business activities.

This year's award categories are:

- Company of the Year (100+ Employees) Award recognizes a
 Centennial company for its commitment and contribution to
 the City though business practices, employees and community
 involvement.
- Company of the Year (<100 Employees) Award recognizes a
 Centennial company for its commitment and contribution to
 the City though business practices, employees and community
 involvement.
- Entrepreneur of the Year Award recognizes an entrepreneur for his/her commitment and contribution to Centennial through innovative business practices and community involvement.

- Flavor of the Year Award recognizes the restaurateur who knows the way to your heart is through your stomach.
- **Development/Developer/Project of the Year** Award presented to the project, development or developer who has made a significant contribution to Centennial.
- Youth Commission's Award for Environmental Stewardship

 Award is presented to a person or company for outstanding stewardship practices and conservation achievements.
- Mayor's Award of Excellence Award is presented to the person or business who is consistently making Centennial a better place.
- Citizens' Choice Award is presented to a locally owned, locally operated business recognized by City residents and visitors as one of the best.

Please visit the *Best of Centennial* web page on the City website to download information about the award categories, the nomination form and sponsorship opportunities. Nominations are due by 5 p.m. on Friday, August 26; the awards dinner is scheduled for October 6, 2011 at the Embassy Suites in Centennial.